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Applicant:	Joe Stockwell	Attorney Docket No.:	37015.0300
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Filed:	May 10, 2004	Examiner:	To Be Assigned
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE  
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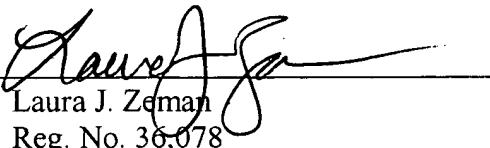
- 1) A return copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b);
- 2) Executed Declaration signed by inventor Joe Stockwell;
- 3) Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) requesting a two month extension.

- 4) Snell & Wilmer's check No. 599513 in the amount of \$280.00 covering payment of the \$65.00 surcharge for late filing of the Declaration, and \$215.00 fee for two month extension to file Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application.

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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: October 12, 2004

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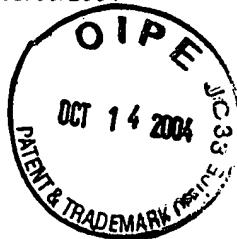
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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

**FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

***Filing Date Granted***

**Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
  - The drawings submitted to the Office are not electronically reproducible. Drawing sheets must be submitted on paper, which is flexible, strong, white, smooth, non-shiny, and durable (see 37 CFR 1.84(e)). See Figure(s) 1,7.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is **\$65** for a Small Entity

- **\$65** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

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